

ANCIENT AMERICAN ART.

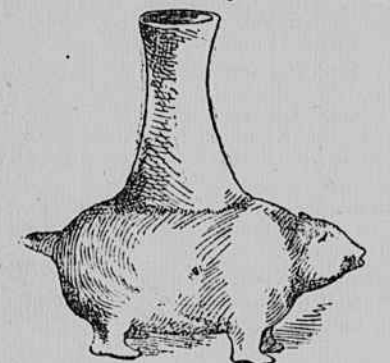
Pro-Historic Remains Found in the Mississippi Valley.

Curious Discoveries in the Old Mounds and Beneath the Sites of an Old Civilization—Specimens of Sculpture and Artistic Pottery.

[Special Cincinnati Letter.]

One of the most interesting exhibits of the world's fair will be that illustrating the civilization of America preceding that of the Indians, and the most curious and interesting branch of this will be the display of those relics which mark that ancient people as possessed of a considerable and thoroughly distinctive art culture, which they converted both to utility and ornament. Throughout the valleys of the Mississippi, the Ohio and the Missouri and their affluents relics of art have been dug from the mounds and graves. There are ornaments and implements of ivory, copper, silver, obsidian, porphyry and greenstone, all finely wrought; axes, single and double, chisels, drills, gravers and knives used in the making and decoration of the lance-heads, bracelets, copper beads, pottery and other articles that exist in great quantities, tens of thousands of pieces of which have been collected into various museums of this and other countries. Copper vessels have been found inlaid with silver. Most of the pottery is elegantly designed and finished and the stone articles show fine workmanship, some elaborately carved, for which cutting of porphyry and obsidian tools of excellent quality must have been required.

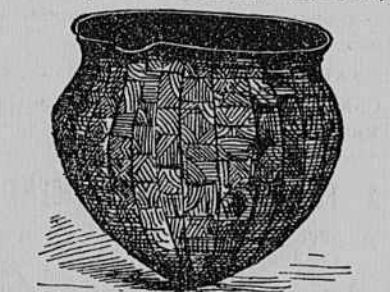
These people mined copper and silver in the Lake Superior region and wrought them into implements of war



PAINTED JAR FROM A TENNESSEE GRAVE.

and ornaments and articles of domestic use. The present miners of this region find entire veins removed for the distance of one hundred and fifty miles, showing that the ancient Americans used extraordinary quantities of copper, the silver being found incidentally in connection with the copper. They also mined mica and polished great sheets of it into mirrors. Some of the pottery found is equal to the finest of that extraordinary variety made by the ancient Peruvians, which is so highly esteemed by antiquarians and connoisseurs. From an ancient site known as Oldtown, Tenn., curiously shaped vessels of clay were found, some fashioned into effigies of frogs and animals. One vase had a long neck terminating in two human heads. Near Lebanon, Tenn., from a child's grave was taken a large painted jar curiously designed to represent an animal, the neck of the jar rising from its back like a chimney.

Many similar jars and vases have been found of strange and artistic form. The valley of the St. Francis river has furnished great numbers of artistic water vessels, vases and statuettes. Near Cartersville, Ga., have been found stone idols, gold beads, mica mirrors and translucent quartz beautifully wrought. Near Lake Washington a sandstone disc was dug up upon which was engraved the device of two entwined rattlesnakes. Similar devices are on circular plates found in various parts of Tennessee and Ohio,



LARGE VESSEL, DELICATELY DESIGNED, FOUND IN GEORGIA.

and the same designs are found on pipes.

Near Milledgeville, Ga., was found one of the largest and handsomest and best preserved pieces of pottery yet obtained. It was delicately wrought, highly polished and of excellent finish, displaying not only mechanical skill but artistic taste.

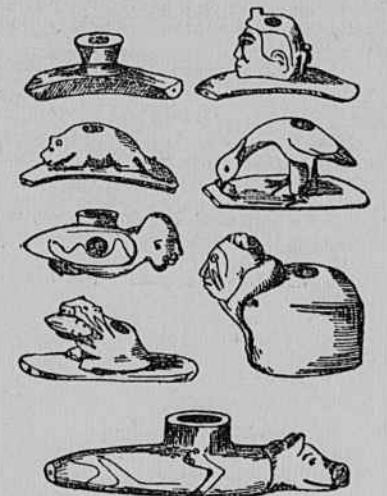
Near Mitchell's Station, Ill., were found copper articles beaten to represent tortoise shells. All the markings of the tortoise were accurately reproduced, the entire workmanship evincing a delicacy and skill of which there are few other instances in the remains of this ancient civilization.

The art of painting was known to these people and was extensively practiced, not only on vases and other pottery, but in the expression of ideal conceptions which they spread out in extensive pictures upon the smooth faces of the rock walls overhanging the rivers. The painting representing the sun on the rocks of the Big Harpeth river, can be seen four miles, and was possibly an object of worship, and countless thousands could assemble to view it.

They had the art of spinning and weaving, for pieces of cloth have been found in the ruins. A specimen taken from a mound in Butler county, O., thirty miles from Cincinnati, is in the Blackmore museum, Salisbury, and in the same collection is a piece of clay with charred threads attached, which

was taken from another Ohio mound. From a mound in Illinois were taken copper ornaments wrapped in a material woven of vegetable fiber, inclosed in another wrapping of a material woven of animal's hair. For weaving they used a shuttle made of stone with holes in which the fiber was threaded for the process. There have also been found copper and bone needles from a foot to eighteen inches long.

In one of the Ohio mounds opened there were discovered over two hun-



CURIOUS PIPES FROM OHIO MOUNDS.

dred carved stone pipes of curious designs, the most striking of which have been reproduced.

These are of porphyry and obsidian, and one can appreciate the skill and patience required to carve these curious designs from such hard material. Some of them are decorated with copper and silver. Stone pipes of equally excellent workmanship and carved to represent animals are found in many other places, and all the carving is far superior to that of the Indian pipes.

They mixed science with their art, or rather employed art in aid of science. Many antique tubes have been found carved out of steatite, highly polished and bored through from end to end. From devices on various tablets illustrating the use of this article it is known they were designed as aids to the eyes in observing distant objects, as by placing them to the eye the extraneous light was shut out and distant objects rendered more distinct.

These ancient people also constructed great reservoirs and aqueducts; they excavated stones weighing tons; they heaved chambers out of the solid rocks; they made sun-dried bricks; they built earthworks and habitations out of adobe, brick, timber and stone; they divided them into apartments by partitions, lathed with split cane and plastered, the walls made smooth and



SPECIMENS OF SCULPTURE FROM ANCIENT GRAVES AND MOUNDS.

painted in red, white, blue and other simple colors, with figures of birds and animals and a sort of hieroglyphics.

There is no reason to believe that a people who wrought stone and clay with such facility and skill into perfect images of animals should not have left sculptures of their own faces in the images taken from mounds and graves. It was evidently a favorite pastime of these primitive artists to reproduce the human figure as well as the figures of birds and animals, and as in the latter they copied the creatures about them, in the production of the former there is equal reason to believe they copied their fellows, so that we have before us in their sculptures fair representations of the physiognomies of the ancient Americans. The perfection of their animal representations furnish us assurance that their sculptures of the human face were equally true to nature.

These evidences of the genius and art of the pre-historic Americans are certainly sufficient to prove that they belonged to a different and far superior civilization to that of the Indians. The Indians have been found inhabiting some of the ruins and using the utensils and implements of these people, and have appropriated some of their customs, but they never could have created that civilization—they do not seem even to have comprehended it, at least have not profited by it—and they must have found it here in the height of its perfection, ready for any who could and would use it.

GEORGE S. McDOWELL.

For the Enemies of Cycling.

Cycling has been credited with the production of a number of ailments, as myopia, pieopia, hydrocephalus and what not. But here, says Sporting Life, is the latest. The first is a "malformation" of the foot, called "bicycle foot." The other is a peculiar form of gout in the calf of the leg, called "bicycle gout." "If," say the doctors who have studied the matter, "you could insure that for four or five generations a family should never move abroad save on cycles, you would be able to modify the lower limbs of the race as to render them unrecognizable as human legs. You would probably, also, produce a stooping race, especially if you obliged your victims to ride bicycles. Fortunately, it is never likely to happen that any family will move entirely by cycle for one hundred and fifty years in succession."

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements in this column will repay perusal.

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S. A. COMPERT. Fine saloon on first floor, No. 35 (Tug's old stand). Restaurant No. 23 Railroad avenue. dec16-6mo

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Fine Wines, liquors and cigars. Nice reception room for patrons.

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WALSACK'S NEW PLACE.—E. Walsack, the expert dyer and cleaner, has opened a new place at the corner of Commerce and Campbell streets, and invites his old patrons and the public to call and see him. Suits cleaned for \$1.00. Suits dyed for \$2.00. Goods called for and delivered. Satisfaction guaranteed. nov29-6mo

PEAK & CO. Private Collecting Agency. Times Building, 113 Henry st., Roanoke. Masonic Building, Church street, Lynchburg. Special attention to claims of merchants, doctors, business and professional men. No charge unless a collection is made. dec1-1mo

REMINGTON STANDARD TYPE.—writer is the best on the market. For supplies, terms, etc., apply to R. D. GUNN, agent, No. 17 Campbell street, opposite postoffice. nov1-1m

WILKINSON'S MEAT MARKET AND DAIRY.

Fresh meats, the best and cheapest, at Wilkinsons, Stall 1, City Market. Low prices. Free delivery.

Leave orders at Wilkinsons, Stall 1, City Market, for fresh milk, cream and butter. Low prices. Free delivery. nov7-1yr

THE ROANOKE TRANSFER Company is prepared to do all kinds of hauling. They keep good wagons, good teams and responsible drivers. Prompt attention. Office, Freight depot and Jefferson street, south. Telephone, 119. oct1-1yr

FREDERICK J. ANWEG, C. E., M. Am Soc. C. E. & Eng'g. Club of Philadelphia engineer, contractor and builder, Commercial Bank Building, Roanoke, Va. nov22-1m

A. L. PUQUA, PLUMBER, GAS and steam fitter; dealer in stoves, ranges, heaters, iron and terra cotta piping, etc., at lowest prices. No. 111 Commerce street. June19-6mo.

NATIONAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, OF ROANOKE.

Having been transferred to the undersigned, would respectfully invite an investigation of its merits before going elsewhere. A thorough business course, shorthand (Ben Pitman and New Rapid systems), typewriting, English and business and ornamental penmanship. A thorough training school for young men and young ladies who wish to fit for the active duties of the business world. For terms, day or night session call at the College. Times building, or address J. F. COZART, Manager of the National Business College, Roanoke, Va.

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MUSIC.

MISS ALICE APPLETON, OF THE New England Conservatory of Music, is now prepared to give vocal lessons at her residence, cor. Second ave. and Ninth street. dec16-1m

AUCTION SALES.

BY J. BROCK, 144 SALEM AVENUE.

Large sale of FURNITURE on THURSDAY, AT 10 O'CLOCK.

We will sell on Thursday at 10 o'clock, one fine PARLOR SUIT, REAL OAK BEDROOM SUITS, BUREAUS, WASH-STAND, CHAIRS, LOOKING GLASSES and HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS, CARPETS, CROCKERY and GLASS-WARE and PICTURES.

ONE-CENT-A-WORD COLUMN.

Persons at a distance desiring to insert advertisements in the One-Cent-a-Word column can count the number of words, reckon at the rate of one cent a word for each of the first two insertions and half a cent a word for each subsequent insertion, and remit accordingly.

ANSWER BULLETIN.

THERE are letters at THE TIMES office addressed to "C." "C. D. E." "G. H." "Zinc."

WANTED—SITUATIONS.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A young man of twenty-two as clerk or assistant bookkeeper. "J. F." Box 304, Postoffice. jan13-3t

WANTED—A POSITION AS BAR-keeper or grocer clerk by a sober, energetic young man. Address D. T. ROOPE, Dublin, Va. jan13-1t

WANTED—HELP.

WANTED—A BOY 16 OR 17 YEARS old with common school education to take a business course or short hand and typewriting, for cleaning the rooms of the National Business College. Call at college between 4 and 6 p. m. J. F. COZART. jan5-1t

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

\$5,000—MONEY TO LOAN ON first-class first mortgage collateral. Address "WESTERN," Times office. jan13-3t

WANTED—HOME FOR WHITE motherless girl 9 years old; respectable parentage. Address, Box 314, Roanoke, Va. jan12-1w

SIDELINGER, photographer, 301 Jefferson.

B. F. DU BOIS & SON'S.

WATCH CLUB ACCOUNTS must be closed at once or suit will be brought. For particulars see their agents, HARTSOOK & ADDISON, renters and collectors, 108 Jefferson street. jan10-1m.

BOARDING.

WANTED—FOUR GENTLEMEN boarders: delightful location; West End; terms reasonable. Address, "W," Times office. jan12-2t

TABLE BOARDERS WANTED AT MRS. TATE'S, corner Seventh avenue and Henry street. Excellent fare. Terms moderate. jan10-1t.

TWO FIRST-CLASS FRONT ROOMS, with board, at MISS CRAWFORD'S, 19 Seventh avenue s. w. Also table boarders wanted. jan5-2w

WANTED—ROOM AND TABLE boarders at 810, South Jefferson street. dec27-1t

BOARDERS WILL FIND STRICTLY first-class accommodations at MRS. TATE'S, corner Seventh avenue and Henry street. dec13-1mo

TABLE BOARDERS AND ROOMERS wanted by Mrs. T. D. CRAWFORD, 405 Campbell street s. w. nov22-1t

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS CONFECTORY and fruit stand in good location; will sell cheap. Address, "N. Y. Z," Times office. jan12-3ods

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION FOR cash, on Monday, January 18, 1892, at 10 a. m., at 112 Jefferson street, the following named articles: One iron safe, one wardrobe, two chairs, two squares of carpet, one Smyrna rug, one lot of maps of the city of Roanoke and one lot of office fixtures to satisfy an order of court in the case of S. L. Addison vs. H. G. Cole. J. B. TRAYNHAM, sergeant at city of Roanoke. jan5-1ds

THE STUDEBAKER FARM WAGON. For sale by HUGHES & CAMP. dec8-1t

FOR RENT.

ROOMS FOR RENT—FURNISHED, at 702, Salem avenue. jan10-8wks

FOR RENT—ROOMS UNFURNISHED suitable for sleeping rooms, light housekeeping or offices. BROOKS, Photographer, next to Post Office. jan10-1t.

15 NEW 5-ROOM HOUSES, \$11; 15 new 3-room houses, \$8; in West End, opposite Norwich Lock Company's works. 1 10-room house. No. 610 Henry street, with modern conveniences, \$40 1 8-room house, Henry street, corner Fifth avenue, \$30. See list of houses for rent. HARTSOOK & ADDISON, 108 Jefferson street.

FOR RENT—FRONT ROOM, WITH board, at 19 Seventh avenue s. w. d29-2w

FOR RENT—WITH BOARD; TWO nice rooms. Apply 350 First avenue s. w. nov6-1t

FOR RENT—ONE LARGE 7-room house, bath tub, water closet, large stable and carriage house, one out kitchen, coal and wood house. Everything in good order. Franklin street s. w. HARTSOOK & ADDISON, 108 Jefferson street. jan10-1w.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—THE ROOM ON CAMP-bell street nearly opposite P. O., formerly occupied by L. L. Powell & Co. E. H. STEWART. dec2-1t

LOST AND FOUND.

\$5 REWARD—LOST DEC. 29, R. R. station to telegraph office and then to hotel, a light overcoat, no outside pockets; write to this office, no questions asked. jan7-1w.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Association of Engineers of Virginia will be held at their rooms on Jefferson street January 15-16. Officers for the ensuing year will be voted for. All ballots must be in by noon January 15. The meeting will be called to order at 3 p. m. on January 15. Result of election and programme of meeting will be then announced. HENRY W. NEWBY, jan12-1t Secretary.

NOTICE. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Buena Vista Land Company, of Roanoke, will be held at the office of the company on Tuesday, February 9, 1892, at 12 o'clock m. By order of the board of directors. jan8-1dm ASA ROGERS, Sec'y

NOTICE. The annual meeting of the stockholders of Linwood Land Company will be held at the office of the Roanoke Trust, Loan and Safe Deposit Company, Roanoke, Va., on Monday, February 8, 1892 at 12 o'clock. JAS. R. TERRY, jan8-3od Sec'y.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING. By order of the board of directors, a meeting of the stockholders of the Glens Falls Land Company will be held at the office of F. B. Kemp, No. 8 South Jefferson street, Roanoke, at 8 o'clock p. m., Monday, February 1, 1892.

This is an important meeting, and a full attendance is requested, either in person or by proxy. C. A. WOOLFORD, President. WALTER McDOWELL, Secretary. jan1-3od

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Roanoke Iron Company for the election of directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the company in Roanoke, Va., on Monday, February 1, 1891, at 12 o'clock noon. JAMES E. PORTER, dec31-to-feb1 Secretary.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Henry Medicine Manufacturing and Land Company will be held at the store of Fox & Christian, Roanoke, Va., on the 26th day of January, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m. A full representation is earnestly desired. R. C. STEARNES, President. CHARLES D. FOX, Secretary. dec23-1d

BUSINESS NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

The firm of C. T. Whaling & Co., composed of C. T. Whaling and C. O'Leary, is by mutual consent this day dissolved. C. T. Whaling has purchased C. O'Leary's interest in said firm. All debts due by said firm will be paid and all claims due said firm are payable to said C. T. Whaling. C. T. WHALING. C. O'LEARY. Roanoke, Va., Aug. 1, 1891. I will continue business at the old stand under the name of C. T. Whaling & Co. C. T. WHALING. dec30tojan20

NOTICE—WATER CONSUMERS. Water rentals for the quarter (January, February and March) are now due. Consumers are hereby notified to call at the office of the company, Exchange Building, Room 12, and pay same. Water will be cut off from all consumers who do not pay their bills on or before January 20. An additional charge of fifty cents will be collected for turning on water. J. C. RAWN, Manager. jan7to20

SEAL PRESSES, PLAIN, \$3. SELF-inking rubber stamps, from 75 cents up to \$5. Hand stamps, from 25 cents up. Self-supplying pads, 25 to 50 cents. Stamp supplies of every description, at low in price as any manufacturer in the United States. Call on or address J. T. HALL, 103 Third avenue.

DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE BY THE stockholders whose names appear below in the payment of assessments made upon the stock subscribed for by them in the Transparent Ice Company, of Roanoke, Va. I shall, as directed by the board of directors of said company, ON THURSDAY, THE 14TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1892, AT 12 O'CLOCK M., in front of the city courthouse in Roanoke, Va., sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the stock of the stockholders named below, for the payment of the several assessments and amounts due by them on such assessments.

Name.	No. shares.	Amt. due.
Kinney, H.	5	\$ 75.00
Karr, Geo. F.	15	150.00
Carr, John A.	5	50.00
Carr, W. A.	5	50.00
Overby, C. T.	2	20.00
Neal, I. W.	10	100.00
Pollard, I. B.	5	75.00
Schleight, J. E.	5	50.00
Kernahan, G. W.	5	100.00
McIlwaine, R. S.	5	125.00
McIlwaine, Mrs. R.	5	25.00
Davis, I. H.	4	20.00
Kelly, M. L.	20	100.00
Tredway, J. L.	20	200.00
Kemp, E. L.	12	120.00
Garner, W. J.	5	50.00
Houser, W. J.	5	50.00
Felix, W. H.	4	20.00
Smith, H.	5	100.00
Casey, R. M.	20	80.00
Brady, D. B.	10	250.00
Cunningham, J. R. and Walker, G. C.	14	375.00
Carter, Scott.	2	50.00
Carson, E. W.	5	125.00
Goodman, I. W.	6	150.00
Hume, G. R.	4	100.00
Hoge, I. H.	5	125.00
Nichols, L. S.	5	125.00
Parish, L. M.	5	125.00
Page, J. A.	4	100.00
Ribble, L. M.	10	250.00
Reed, C. P.	5	25.00
Woodford, C. W.	10	250.00
Walker, G. C.	10	250.00
Duerson, S. K.	12	300.00
Bush, C. L.	10	125.00
Morris, M. C.	10	250.00

Terms of sale will be cash. The face value of stock in this company is \$25.00. President Transparent Ice Company. dec13-1da

H. WEBSTER CROWL REAL ESTATE CO. AND M. H. O'MOHUNDRO, Rental Agent.

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BUSINESS NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.

The firm of S. A. Rice & Co., conducting a billiard saloon and cigar stand at No. 21 Campbell street s. w., in Roanoke, Va., have this day by mutual consent dissolved. S. A. Rice will pay all bills due by the firm and all accounts due to the firm will be payable to him. dec19-1aw4wks

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The partnership heretofore existing between J. Payne Thompson and W. S. Gooch under the firm name of Thompson & Co., has been dissolved by the purchase by D. S. Meadows of the interest and good will of said W. S. Gooch in said business. All debts due to or by the old firm will be settled by the new firm, which will continue to do business at the same old stand, No. 30 Campbell street, under the same firm name. J. PAYNE THOMPSON. W. S. GOOCH. Roanoke, Va., Oct. 16, 1891.

D. S. Meadows having purchased the interest of W. S. Gooch in the firm of Thompson & Co., as stated above, and with increased facilities for doing business, we feel assured we can give satisfaction in every particular, and will be pleased to have our friends and the public generally call. J. PAYNE THOMPSON, D. S. MEADOWS. dec19-3ods

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

By mutual agreement the firm of W. H. Mackay & Co., electrical engineers and contractors, consisting of W. H. Mackay and W. A. Huff, has this day been dissolved. All bills due the firm and all debts will be received and paid by W. H. Mackay. The business will be continued under the name of W. H. Mackay & Co. dec20-1aw-4wks W. H. MACKAY.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have qualified as the executor and executor of the will of F. W. Allen, and all persons indebted to the said F. W. Allen are hereby notified to come forward and settle all accounts that may be due to his estate, and all persons holding claims against him are requested to present them properly verified in order that the same may be settled. SARA McC. ALLEN. dec30-2aw1m WM. N. MORGAN.

ROANOKE PAPER STOCK AND METAL COMPANY. Holliday street, near R. & S. Depot. Buy and sell hides, furs, rags, bones, beeswax, old papers, iron, brass, copper, lead, etc., etc. nov29-1yr

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